

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 23, 2015
6:00pm
Town Hall Auditorium**

Call to Order: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini and Selectman Kathy Devlin. Also in attendance were Michael Marinaccio-CFO and many interested residents. Selectman Bud Knorr was not available.

Add Agenda Item: - *Ms. Pellegrini made a motion to add the item "Staffing" to the agenda, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. The motion passed.*

Staffing:

Ms. Pellegrini received an email from Todd Rolland-Director of Public Works recommending Mr. Scott Kloter be hired as the new fulltime Maintainer.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the recommendation and approve the hiring of Mr. Scott Kloter as the new fulltime DPW Maintainer, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Ms. Pellegrini received an email from Lieutenant Claudio recommending the hiring of Mr. Tyler Casale and Mr. Christopher Vieweg as part time Animal Control Officers.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the recommendation and approve the hiring of Mr. Tyler Casale and Mr. Christopher Vieweg as part time Animal Control Officers, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Boards and Commissions – Resignations & Appointments:

Ms. Pellegrini received a letter from Mr. Raymond LaFlamme resigning from the Prison Liaison/Public Safety Commission.

Mrs. Devlin Made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Raymond LaFlamme from the Prison Liaison/Public Safety Commission with regrets and thanks for many years of service, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Approval of the 2015 Ballot Question Regarding the Elimination of Section 5-10:

Ms. Pellegrini presented for Board of Selectmen Approval the proposed question for the November 2015 Ballot regarding the propose revision to the Town Charter: "Shall the Town of Somers Charter be revised as proposed by the Charter Revision Commission and approved by the Town of Somers Board of Selectmen to eliminate Section 5-10?"

Mrs. Devlin Made a motion to approve the following question to be placed on the November 2015 Ballot: "Shall the Town of Somers Charter be revised as proposed by the Charter Revision Commission and approved by the Town of Somers Board of Selectmen to eliminate Section 5-10?", seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Agreement between the Town of Somers and Taxserv Capital Services LLC.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the agreement between the Town of Somers and Taxserv Capital Services LLC, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Somerset Lane Reconstruction Bid Award:

Ms. Pellegrini received a recommendation from Jeff Bord-Town Engineer recommending JM Ladd be awarded the Somerset Lane Reconstruction Contract. JM Ladd was the lowest bidder at \$164,645.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the recommendation and award the Somerset Lane Reconstruction Contract to JM Ladd, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Local Traffic Authority Approval –

Phillip Johnson Motorcycle Ride on Saturday August 15, 2015

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to grant Local Traffic Authority Approval for the Phillip Johnson Motorcycle Ride on Saturday, August 15, 2015, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Austin Harlow Memorial Hartford County 4- H Fair 5K Road Race on Sunday August 16, 2015:

This item was tabled pending recommendation from Lt. Claudio.

Authorization of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$115,301.68, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$670,503.99, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Transfers/Appropriations:

**Town of Somers
Year End Transfers
Fiscal Year 2015**

**To:
Selectman**

**From:
Selectman**

Regular Salaries 2,272.25

Separation Payout 21,498.41

Land & Building
Services 9,347.00

Mileage 675.27

New Equipment 755.76

Dues & Seminars 1,023.03

Other 6,281.32

Total 41,853.04

Finance

Office Supplies 737.96

Postage 5,118.58

Insurance (P&L) 18,984.00

Legal Services 17,012.50

Total 41,853.04

Finance

Temp Tax Salaries	2,811.73
Consulting	5,015.34
Supplies	<u>250.03</u>
Total	8,077.10

Town Clerk

Vital Statistics	60.00
Advertising - Elections	272.55
Supplies	<u>691.45</u>
Total	1,024.00

Tax Collector

Regular Salaries	135.86
QD Computer Service	456.50
Printing & Supplies	<u>267.24</u>
Total	859.60

Assessor

Computer Service	<u>2,975.00</u>
Total	2,975.00

Information Technology

Copying	<u>3,302.41</u>
Total	3,302.41

Regular Salaries	<u>8,077.10</u>
Total	8,077.10

Town Clerk

Regular Salaries	<u>1,024.00</u>
Total	1,024.00

Tax Collector

Dues & Seminars	228.92
Advertising	<u>630.68</u>
Total	859.60

Assessor

Regular Salaries	1,498.95
Advertising	250.00
Printing & Supplies	575.98
Dues & Seminars	476.00

Information Technology

Internet & Comm.	<u>174.07</u>
Total	2,975.00

Information Technology

Technology Supplies	<u>3,302.41</u>
Total	3,302.41

Employee Benefits

Life & Disability	5,423.70
Pension - Actuary	<u>2,290.00</u>
Total	7,713.70

Building

Salaries	<u>173.30</u>
Total	173.30

Planning

Clerical	283.50
Advertising	<u>2,023.54</u>
Total	2,307.04

Zoning Board

Advertising	<u>665.83</u>
Total	665.83

Conservation

Clerical	<u>125.25</u>
Total	125.25

BOA Appeals

Advertising	<u>2.31</u>
Total	2.31

Elections

Elections - Temporary	583.63
Printing	287.37
Supplies	<u>176.03</u>
Total	1,047.03

Employee Benefits

Health Insurance	<u>7,713.70</u>
Total	7,713.70

Building

Dues & Seminars	<u>173.30</u>
Total	173.30

Land Use

Regular Salaries	<u>2,307.04</u>
Total	2,307.04

Land Use

Regular Salaries	<u>665.83</u>
Total	665.83

Conservation

Supplies	<u>125.25</u>
Total	125.25

Conservation

Other	<u>2.31</u>
Total	2.31

Board of Finance

Audit	<u>1,047.03</u>
Total	1,047.03

Fire Marshall

Regular Salaries	965.75
Memberships & Dues	<u>95.50</u>
Total	1,061.25

Fire Department

Overtime Chief Salary	2,411.12
Training	4,000.00
Health Services	1,160.42
Equip. Maintenance	388.02
Radio Maintenance	1,363.54
Vehicle Maintenance	506.20
Cell Tower Rental	4,442.60
Postage	330.18
Heat	26.50
Uniforms	9,876.92
Laundry	<u>29.28</u>
Total	19.08
	24,553.86

Police Department

FT Salary	64.61
Administrator	80.77
Overtime	733.66
Training	3,270.03
Electric	<u>666.13</u>

Fire Marshall

Fire Investigator	<u>1,061.25</u>
Total	1,061.25

Fire Department

Regular Salaries	4,701.63
FD Stipend	3,612.00
Building Maintenance	4,743.11
Gas Allowance Vehicle Fuel	2,526.00
	2,830.51
Tech Services	21.31
Pager Maintenance	200.00
Printing & Supplies	467.18
Personal Protective	100.21
Hose	703.00
Ladders	31.47

Fire Marshall

Fire Investigator	2,718.79
Fire System Maintenance	<u>1,898.65</u>
Total	24,553.86

Police Department

Part-Time Police	<u>4,815.20</u>
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Total	4,815.20
Municipal Facilities	
Building Maintenance	35,506.12
Utilities	<u>1,935.11</u>
Total	37,441.23
Public Works	
Overtime	34,851.52
Uniforms	861.08
Training	<u>450.00</u>
Total	36,162.60
Highway	
Equip. Maintenance	46,672.54
Road Maintenance	69,584.22
Vehicle Fuel	<u>6,157.06</u>
Total	122,413.82
Parks	
Rec. Maintenance	<u>4,528.43</u>
Total	4,528.43

Total	4,815.20
Municipal Facilities	
Fire Protection	7,418.20
Electric	13,854.15
Police Department	
State Police	<u>16,168.88</u>
Total	37,441.23
Public Works	
Regular Salaries	5,490.00
PT Temp Salaries	11,502.19
Storm water Monitoring	4,447.50
Police Department	
State Police	<u>14,722.91</u>
Total	36,162.60
Miscellaneous	
Contingency	20,000.00
State Licenses	7,500.00
Debt Service	
Interest	56,794.19
Employee Benefits	
Pension Town/Fire	53,238.19
Health Insurance	<u>12,381.44</u>
Total	122,413.82
Parks	
Equipment Maintenance	<u>4,528.43</u>
Total	4,528.43

Transfer Station

Test Well Monitoring	3,007.00
Landfill Operating	11,709.82
Bulky Waste Disposal	<u>350.63</u>
Total	15,067.45

WPCA

Regular Salaries	166.62
Legal - WPCA	<u>119.80</u>
Total	286.42

Ambulance

Training	1,581.97
Vehicle Maintenance	8,013.70
Oxygen	<u>267.92</u>
Total	9,863.59

Library

Services	150.00
Equipment Maintenance	96.12
Building Maintenance	20,469.54
Heat	<u>2,908.00</u>
Total	23,623.66

Recreation Publications

	<u>57.12</u>
Total	57.12

Senior Services

Program/Events	673.69
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Transfer Station

Waste Disposal	<u>15,067.45</u>
Total	15,067.45

WPCA

Engineering Consultant	<u>286.42</u>
Total	286.42

Employee Benefits

Health Insurance	<u>9,863.59</u>
Total	9,863.59

Library

Regular Salaries	18,975.10
Electricity	1,000.90
Books	3,266.82
Automated Services	<u>380.84</u>
Total	23,623.66

Recreation

Supplies	<u>57.12</u>
Total	57.12

Senior Services

Oil	<u>2,888.82</u>	Electricity	<u>3,562.51</u>
Total	3,562.51	Total	3,562.51
Senior Transportation		Senior Transportation	
Director Services	<u>188.11</u>	Materials/Supplies	<u>188.11</u>
Total	188.11	Total	188.11
Recreation SS		Recreation SS	
SC Payroll	19.34		
SC Self Support	<u>1,030.36</u>	Small Fry Camp Payroll	<u>1,049.70</u>
Total	1,049.70	Total	1,049.70
Miscellaneous		Police Department	
Police Services	<u>47,554.71</u>	State Police	<u>47,554.71</u>
Total	47,554.71	Total	47,554.71
Total Transfers	402,355.27	Total Transfers	402,355.27

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the above year end transfers, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

July 9, 2015 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2015 Special Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the above mentioned minutes, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed.

2015 Robert B. Percoski Award Presentation to Kathleen and Michael Freedman:

The Board of Selectmen presented the 2015 Robert B. Percoski Community Service Award to Kathleen and Michael Freedman. The attached letter was read by Ms. Pellegrini and the award was accepted by Mr. and Mrs. Freedman.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Pellegrini made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 6:152m, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim LaFleur-Recording

Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.

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July 1, 2015

Mr. Michael and Mrs. Kathleen Freedman
99 Four Bridges Road
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Dear Kathleen and Michael,

It is with much pleasure that I inform you that the Board of Selectmen unanimously voted at the May 28, 2015 BOS Meeting to present to you both the 2015 Robert B. Percoski Community Service Award in recognition of all you do for so many in the community by hosting the Chili Cook-offs. Through your volunteer efforts, thousands and thousands of dollars have been raised to support of the Somers Fire Department and Volunteer Fire Association, the Patriot Guard, our cherished veterans and individuals facing medical hardships.

We cannot begin to express to you our appreciation of the work and effort that such feats require and for what it means to so many in our community. For while the fundraising benefits such organizations and individuals in a much needed financial way, words can never express the fellowship, camaraderie and spirit of community that you instill in each person that attends your events. I cannot tell you how many times I have personally witnessed people thank you and the response is to always pass the credit onto everyone else involved. Your actions display true leadership and compassion for your fellow man.

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, and the residents of the Town of Somers, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your commitment to community service. You both continue to be such an inspiration to us all and we are honored to be able to present an award to such a couple that delivers hope and support to those that need it most.

We look forward to presenting this award to you at a future Board of Selectmen Meeting. My assistant, Kim LaFleur will be contacting you to coordinate a date. In the meantime, please accept our sincerest congratulations.

With much respect and admiration,



Lisa Pellegrini
First Selectman

CC: Board of Selectmen